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RE:Auto Heat

Dear Harold:

K-cars like yours and mine have excellent heaters. Your thermostat is surely worn out. It is made of a cheap spring and it gets "lazy" after a few thousand heat cycles. I had to replace one in my Chrysler. *1992 model*

Have a garage replace the thermostat with a new one, being sure to use the correct temp.= Also, while you are at it, replace your antifreeze. Makes the radiator last longer.

Also, have them check and fill the differential housing. It is a little hard to get to and unlike most cars, it is not filled from the transmission. Mine ran dry and I could hear it whine.

I have a 1981 Dodge Aries in my fleet. When the thermostat gets lazy, the car will never heat up. But it happens gradually, and you don't realize it. I have even taken the old thermostats and put them in hot water with a thermometer to prove to myself they are bad.

This should fix your heater problem. I know what I am talking about. After, all, I am a junior master mechanic!

Cost of replacement should be about \$40. And spend the bucks and get new antifreeze.